

# PORTSMOUTH NEWS

## AFFAIRS IN GENERAL

Succinct Statement of News Events, Stripped of Much of the Details.

### YESTERDAY'S NEWS BRIEFLY RECORDED

Short Paragraphs Personal and Otherwise—Accounts of Events Interesting to Every Reader—Topics Discussed on the Streets and in Offices and Homes.

There will be plenty of meetings next week.

Both courts will adjourn for the term to-day.

Mr. T. J. Wool qualified as a notary public yesterday.

A large number of people went up to Baltimore last night.

The condition of Mr. Solomon Barclay was much improved yesterday.

Miss Jennie Jones, of Wilmington, N. C., is in the city visiting friends.

A negro man was arrested last night for indecent conduct in the streets.

A man was carried to the station house last night for shooting craps.

It is said that the storm Wednesday night did much damage in the county.

Colonel Glassett, of the Landmark, is sick and is unable to attend to business.

It is said that the hook and ladder will be here in three weeks from next Monday.

Mr. White, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., has gone to Baltimore to spend a few days.

Major J. F. Crocker left yesterday for Mountain Lake, Giles county, Va., to spend a month.

Attention is called to the advertisement of mules now for sale; perfectly fresh, with calf.

The St. John's church is going up nicely. Nearly all the stone work has been completed.

The delegates to the District Conference all returned last night, conference having adjourned.

The Finance Committee will meet to-night and open bids for the purchase of the school bonds.

Mrs. Ashley Persons and children have gone to Southampton county to spend several weeks.

The truckers say that green stear is looking splendid now, the recent rains having brought it out.

The Norfolk county Constables are kept busy all the time settling little matters that come up.

Mr. James T. Borum and wife left last night for Roanoke Red Sulphur Springs to spend two months.

Miss Nettie Ramsey, of Nansemond, is visiting Mrs. M. Lee Eastwood, on North Dinwiddie street.

Some one is killing dogs indiscriminately. Six were found dead yesterday in different parts of the city.

There was a total eclipse of the sun yesterday. Quite a number of people issued smoked glasses to see it.

The Cannon-Bain case will be heard in Norfolk to-day. Quite a number of Portsmouth people will be on hand.

In another column a horse, spring wagon and harness is wanted. Read advertisement and address as directed.

The band will play at the Naval Hospital this afternoon. We were taken in saying it would be yesterday.

The funeral of Mr. John C. Callahan will take place this afternoon at 5 o'clock from St. Paul's chapel, on Henry street.

The Rev. J. T. Bosman is quite sick. He is stopping with Mr. J. J. King, on Randolph street while his family is out of the city.

Numbers of people are going off to the mountains, etc., every day. Quite a number of them have The Virginian sent to them.

The All Americas Baseball Club left yesterday via the Norfolk and Carolina railroad for Tarboro, N. C., to play two games of ball.

At noon yesterday Captain Farquar, commandant of the yard, was promoted to the rank of commodore. A salute was fired and his flag raised.

It is thought that the force in the yard will be largely increased on Monday. The appropriation will be much greater than it was for July.

Mr. Hurst, the gentleman who went ball for Burton, alias Davis, says that he has no idea where Davis is, but he will do all he can to find out.

A colored man, whose name we could not learn, while at work yesterday afternoon cutting off piles for the foundation of Parker's new warehouse,

struck his foot with an axe and nearly cut it off. He was carried to his home, where medical aid was summoned.

A woman named Saunders swore out a warrant last night before Justice Answorth, charging a man with attempting to kill her.

The recent heavy rains have washed the mud down in the gutters until some of them are badly choked up. They should be cleaned out at once.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Phillips & Mahoney, in which they offer a desirable residence on Armstrong street, in Park View, for rent.

The Portsmouth street railroad are putting down their poles on High and Effingham streets. Workmen will commence right away to run the wires.

Mrs. Mooney, wife of the popular bicycle dealer on High street, will return from the mountains to-day, where she has been for the past three months.

John Williams, colored, was locked up in the county jail yesterday charged with receiving a hen and ten chickens from J. W. Carter, whom Williams knew had stolen them.

A young man from South Portsmouth cut his foot quite badly while bathing back of the navy-yard wall yesterday. He had to be carried to a physician to have the wound sewed up.

Mr. Johnson was trying yesterday to arrange the matter with the stone cutters so that work on the Pythian hall can go on. The delay will throw the building back considerable.

An impudent negro bicyclist ran into a gentleman on High street yesterday. When remonstrated with he became very saucy. The gentleman could scarcely resist striking him.

Colonel E. L. Fells, who has been attending the District M. E. Conference, in Hampton, was in the city last night, and will leave for his home in Southampton county, Va., this morning.

The Pythian Hall association held a meeting last night and took some action towards requiring the contractor to begin work and complete the same, in order that it may be occupied by the time specified.

The Portsmouth colored baseball club has arranged a series of nine games to be played between themselves and the Hampton team for \$100, five of them to be played in one place and four in another.

The last of the fire bugs will be disposed of to-day, when Crismond will be tried. It is thought that under the previous agreement made him for testifying he will not be given more than five years.

A negro named George Porter was before the Mayor yesterday charged with using profane language on the streets. He claimed that he was only reading a religious circular. His Honor fined him \$1 and costs.

Messrs. W. & J. Parker will throw open their doors to the public to-day for a share of the grocery trade at wholesale. Both gentlemen are young men, but have had considerable experience in the business.

A party of gentlemen who went down the river in a sloop on a fishing frolic Monday night got caught in a squall Tuesday night and came near being turned over. They made for Little Bay, where they remained all night.

A drunken white man attempted to cross the trestle work over Union Creek bridge Wednesday night and fell through, hurting himself quite badly. He was pulled out by some of the railroad men who heard him groaning.

The ladies connected with the Park View Baptist church will give a series of excursions to Baltimore and Washington. The first one will be given shortly. They want to raise a sufficient amount to build them a stone church, to cost about \$60,000.

Mr. James Jackson, who lives on Glasgow street, ran a chicken thief out of his lot on Wednesday night. The man had prepared to bag them all, but being frightened off he left his bags and a hammer, which Mr. Jackson says he can get by calling for them.

There was a complaint lodged at the station house yesterday afternoon by Officer Long about the indecent exposure of some of the crew of a French bark, lying at the Shippers' Compress wharf, in Gosport. The Mayor will take some action in the matter this morning.

Attention is called to the ad. of Breslau & Anthony, in which they announce that through the liberal use of printer's ink they are kept busy these dull times disposing of their stock of spring and summer clothing. Give them a call and be convinced of what they say.

It was rumored yesterday that during the storm Wednesday night a boat was capsized at the mouth of Western Branch and that two colored men were drowned. The Virginian used every effort to learn whether such was the fact or not and failed to find any one who could say that they knew anything more than that they, too, had heard the rumor.

The people living on Washington street, between King and High streets, and those between High and Queen streets, will be relieved of the flooding that they receive every time a heavy rain comes. The water in front of their doors is some times twelve inches deep, coming up as high as the second step. They cannot get out of their houses. The street should either be raised or else a larger pipe should be put in.

Two young men, who had been out to Hodges' Ferry riding, got caught in the shower Wednesday night and had to stop at the house of a colored man on the road. After the rain was over they started home. When near the store by Armistead's woods, they were halted by two negro men. They refused to stop. The men started towards them, but when two guns were pulled out from their soon took to the woods and were not long in doing so.

SENT TO JAIL FOR THIRTY DAYS.

The negroes, Henry Brown and Edmunds who were charged with receiving stolen ferry tickets from the Portsmouth and Norfolk county ferry, were tried in the Hustings Court yesterday, and were sentenced to jail for thirty days each. The party who stole the tickets and divided with these two men is now serving one year in the penitentiary.

MR WHITE RECOVERING.

Mr. W. T. White, one of the victims of the fall of a scaffold at Mr. Salomon's sky's Butte street residence, some time ago, when Mr. Nicholas Morton, a painter, lost his life, is now able to be out on crutches.

NAVY-YARD NOTES.

The Amphitrite had a dock trial yesterday.

Both ends of the blacksmith shop at the yard have been taken out with the view of enlarging the same.

ROYAL makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

DEATH OF A FORMER PORTSMOUTH LADY.

Intelligence of the death of Mrs. Anna North, formerly the wife of Dr. William I. Cooke, of this city, was received here on Wednesday evening from Washington, D. C., where she died on Tuesday at her home, No. 229 Fourteenth street, Northwest.

It has been many years since Mrs. North, then Mrs. Dr. Cooke, resided here. After the death of Dr. Cooke she married Major Wheeler and removed to Alabama, where her husband was killed shortly after the war. She then went to the North, where she met Mr. North. She had no children.

Her remains will arrive to-day on the Washington steamer for interment beside her first husband in Oak Grove cemetery. The service will be conducted by the Rev. J. B. Funsten, rector of Trinity church.

Mrs. North survived her last husband, Henry C. North, but a few weeks, he having died at his home in Washington, D. C., on the 9th instant.

NOTES OF THE FIREMEN.

The Chambers Fire Company went into commission yesterday morning at 6 o'clock after being out of service for about two weeks, during which time extensive repairs and improvements were made to the house.

The Independent Fire Company will shortly go out of commission while South street, in front of the engine house, is being paved, and the company's apparatus will be removed to the City Hall, where it will occupy the quarters recently prepared for the hook and ladder.

NORFOLK COUNTY GRAND JURY MEETS.

The Norfolk county grand jury met yesterday and found the following true bills:

Richard Stewart, three indictments for felony.

Anthony Spruill, felony.

Robert Page, felony.

John W. Johnson, felony.

The case of James Brown, alias Boykins, fully heard, and sentenced to thirty days in jail and \$5 fine.

SENT ON TO THE SEPTEMBER TERM.

Charles Wilson, alias Long Brother, and Henry Freeman, alias Roadboy, were tried in the Mayor's Court yesterday upon a charge of robbing Ryan's bar, on King street, of \$25. They were defended by Captain John W. Happer and William Reid, colored. His Honor after hearing all the testimony, sent them on to the September term of the Hustings Court.

THE SAMOSETT'S TRIAL.

The new steel tug Samosett left the navy yard on her trial trip at 1 o'clock yesterday. In the speed test, which was made over a measured mile between Boush bluff and Sewell's Point, she behaved nicely and her speed was all that was expected.

An Important Function Stimulated.

The kidneys exercise most important functions, which are so wearisome that they tax to the utmost the strength and endurance of these busy little organs. Every breath, every pulsation of the heart, every movement of a limb, every thought, makes waste, and necessitates the development of new atoms. The used up particles in the blood are sifted from it, and dissolved in a watery fluid by the kidneys, which then discharge this fluid into the bladder. A train of disasters to the system would follow if these "sifters," so to speak, were not thoroughly strained off and discharged. This is the case when the kidneys become inactive. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, by restoring their activity, not only keeps open a most important outlet for impurities, but prevents disease of the kidneys themselves, which when inert become liable to all a prey to diabetes, Bright's disease, nephritis, albuminuria and other maladies specially incident to them, which, although not specifically named in their profession, are particularly obstinate and fatal.

We are kept busy right along on account of the low prices we are offering the balance of our stock for. Would be pleased to convince you of the fact that we are selling clothing for less money than any house in the two cities.

BRESLAUER & ANTHONY.

Don't Fail to Take Advantage of This Week's Special Sale at Lawrence & Welton's.

Yard-wide percales, 5c. yard.

Best quality percales, 9 1/2c. yard.

12 1/2c. lawns reduced to 9 1/2c. yard.

25c. infants' caps, 15c. each.

50c. infants' caps, 25c. each.

75c. infants' caps, 40c. each.

Other grades reduced in proportion.

Lawrence & Welton's Cash Dry Goods Dealers.

For Rent.

The desirable store No. 621 Crawford street for balance of year or longer.

J. T. Parker & Bro. will change their business August 1st. Apply at store.

July 18-1m

Special in Men's Shirts.

A new lot of the 2c. White Shirts to-day.

The best percale front shirt for 50c.

An unparalled white shirt for 50c.

Men's working shirts for 25c. full size.

The best white laundered shirt in the city for 75c.

The best child's hosiery in the city for 10c.

12 1/2c., 15c., and 25c. Emmet Deans, 329 High street.

Greater Bargains of the Season.

Dotted Swiss in stripes and plaids, in linen shades, reduced from 12 1/2c. to 5c. the yard.

A. J. PHILLIPS.

under Orford Hall.

Children's straw sailors one-half price

W. E. VERNERSON & CO.

## IN BERKLEY

The ferry boat City of Norfolk was launched Tuesday and resumed her trips between Berkley and Norfolk.

Some unknown party practiced theft on Mr. William E. Murry's hen house Tuesday in his absence, and only left him a small fry out of about twenty.

Lightning struck a sycamore near the City Hall Wednesday evening.

Mrs. John W. Harmon, of South Norfolk, is very sick.

Mr. Aaron Myers is quite sick at his home in South Norfolk.

Mr. Lowe, of South Norfolk, has been very ill, but is better now.

Mr. Land Hammond, who has been very sick, is improving.

Mr. W. H. Lane, of South Norfolk, who has been indisposed for the past week, is able to be out.

The county is having sewerage laid in South Norfolk, from the foot of Rodgers street, emptying into a branch of the Elizabeth river, near Chesapeake Knitting Mills.

Miss Mentie Delaach will leave this morning for Windsor to be with relatives.

Ben Welsh, a deaf and dumb colored boy, was nearly drowned yesterday while swimming in the Cummer's dock. He exhausted about mid way, and John Ward, who was also swimming in the dock at the same time, went to his rescue.

Harry Brisbols, a son of Mr. Charles Brisbols, was nearly drowned in the Cummer's dock yesterday while swimming, but was rescued by a boy who was in swimming at the same time.

Mr. Charles Brisbols and family, formerly of Mulberry street, have moved into the James Tatem house, on Main street.

Mr. Andrew Collis, of Mulberry street, is very sick.

Mrs. Joe Morrisett and daughter, Annie, who have been visiting in Shawboro, N. C., came home this week. Her daughter has been a sufferer for several days with a sprained arm she received the second day of her visit.

Mrs. Thomas Humphries and daughters, Misses Mae and Irene, who have been visiting friends and relatives for several weeks at Bartee, Mathews and Indian Neck, returned yesterday evening to their residence on Chestnut street.

Craving to the inclemency of the weather Wednesday night, which kept the Baptist church from holding their conference, they will hold it to-night.

Messrs. G. Y. Old and Thomas Barlett arrived yesterday evening from Princess Anne county, where they say business is good.

Misses Janie Morris and Olive Leach, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. W. B. Shafer, on Lee street.

Mrs. Barbill, of Maple avenue, is quite sick.

Mrs. S. E. Smith, of Middleton street, left yesterday to attend the conference at Hickory Ground. From there she will go to Mount Pleasant, where she will visit her daughter.

The electric car made its first trip to the ferry last night about 10:30 o'clock, which way has been obstructed by the building of the new wharf by the side of the bridge.

THE SUN IN ECLIPSE.

Old Sol, However, Comes Out Victor in the Contest.

Between 8:35 and 11:40 o'clock yesterday morning the phenomenon of a partial eclipse of his solar majesty was observed in this city. At no time was more than fifty-five hundredths of the sun's surface obscured by the lunar shadow, but the event was very interesting.

Smoked glasses were called into requisition throughout the city and the spectacle was viewed by many persons. The greatest obscuration occurred at 9:52 a. m., when the shadow passed on and the sun then emerged from the sombre embrace of the queen of the night.

This was the second eclipse during the present year, a partial eclipse having taken place on February 1st, being visible just before sunset.

The next total solar eclipse visible in this country will occur on May 28th, 1900, and the central path will extend along a line drawn from New Orleans to Norfolk.

This will pass centrally through Georgia, and Macon will lie nearly directly in its track. This will be one of the most important eclipses of this century, and already several governments have taken steps to have it carefully observed. Nearly the whole of the Southern States will be enveloped in its gloom.

For thirty or forty miles on each side of its central line the darkness will be sufficient to permit the stars to be seen at midday.

"I crave but One Minute," said the public speaker in a husky voice, and then he took a dose of One Minute Cough Cure, and proceeded with his oratory. One Minute Cough Cure is unequalled for throat and lung troubles. J. M. F. Trotter, Trullitt & Smith and R. L. Wilson.

FILIBUSTERING RUMOR.

Wilmington, N. C., July 29.—A correspondent of the Associated Press has investigated the report of Spanish spies that the tug Alexander Jones and the schooner John D. Long were suspected of being about to engage in a Cuban filibustering expedition from this port. The Jones is at Southport and the Long is here; but there are no indications in sight that the current rumor is well founded.

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There is nothing just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, so demand it and do not permit the dealer to sell you some substitute. He will not claim there is anything better, but in order to make more profit he may claim something else to be just as good. You want Dr. King's New Discovery because you know it to be safe and reliable, and guaranteed to do good or money refunded. For Coughs, Colds, Consumption and for all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs, there is nothing as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. Trial bottle free at Burrow, Martin & Co.'s drug store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.

25c. for nice pastel pictures, in reeded ivory frames, 18x22, with brass corners, cheap at 50c. each. Big line pearl pictures in all kind of frames at cut prices at J. S. Crawford's Furniture and Carpet House.

Crash hats, all sizes.

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NEGLIGEE SHIRTS, STRAW HATS AND UNDERWEAR.

All Wool Suits from \$5 upwards.

All Wool Pants from \$1.50 upwards.

Wilson Bros' Madras Shirts, with separate collars and cuffs, that were \$1.50, now \$1.00.

Madras Shirts, with separate cuffs, that were \$1. and \$1.25, now 75c.

Percale Shirts that were 75c., now 55c., separate collars and cuffs.

Also a special lot of Negligee Shirts at 50c., worth double the money.

A special line of Extra Fine Quality Blue Serge Suits, valued at \$12, now \$7.50.

Our special Four-Ply 2100 LINEN COLLARS at 10c. each are peerless for quality, finish and fit.

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NEW YORK CLOTHING COMPANY.

214 HIGH STREET PORTSMOUTH, VA.

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AS IT IS ABOUT INVENTORY TIME, AND MUST HAVE ROOM FOR NEW LINES OF GOODS TO BE ADDED. THE MOST SENSATIONAL MONEY-SAVING CUT PRICE SALE—PRICES ARE SLASHED RIGHT AND LEFT. THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF BEST AND NEWEST SPRING AND

SUMMER SUITS ARE MORE NEARLY GIVEN AWAY THAN SOLD!

HERE ARE A FEW SELECTIONS FROM THE BARGAIN LIST SUITS FOR MEN: IN BLUE, BLACK AND NEAT GREY MIXTURES, \$5.00 AND \$6.00 VALUE, \$2.75. SUITS FOR MEN—IN BLACKS, BLUES, PLAIDS AND MIXTURES, CUT FROM ALL WOOL TWEEDS, CASSIMERES AND CLOTHS—WE OFFER TO SAVE YOU MONEY IN THIS LINE, \$4.95. SUITS FOR MEN—FINE NEW SPRING SUITS AT THAT AND ALL WOOL, MADE OF FANCY SCOTCHES AND CHEVIOTS, IN BLUE, BLACK AND PLAID PATTERNS—MADE SO WELL THAT MANY EXCLAIM HOW THEY CAN BE SOLD AT SUCH NAMED PRICE, \$7.45. GREAT REDUCTIONS IN ALL LINES. SEE OUR WINDOWS FOR ASTONISHINGLY LOW PRICES, CONSIDERING OUR WORKMANSHIP AND QUALITY.

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